

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant** : Philippe Damour  
**Appl. No.** : 10/539,671  
**Filed** : June 14, 2005  
**Title** : BEARING SHELL AND METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION  
THEREOF  
**Grp./A.U.** : 3656  
**Examiner** : William C. Joyce  
**Docket No.** : F1779US/71010-017

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**AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

**Commissioner of Patents**

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action dated January 22, 2009, please amend this application as follows: